

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A system for containing a child within a defined area, for communicating with
the child, and for locating the child if the child leaves the defined area is disclosed.
The containment capability of the system is provided by a presently existing electronic
pet containment system. The child wears a monitoring module that produces a signal
that is transmitted back to a control unit in the possession of the parent, thus warning
the parent if the child approaches or crosses the wire defining the boundary of the
10 defined area. The parent can use the control unit transceiver to communicate with the
child and the child can communicate with the parent using the transceiver within the
monitoring module. If the child leaves the defined area, the control unit has locating
capabilities that provide the parent with an indication as to the direction in which the
child is moving and the distance between the child and the control unit.